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In the application of:

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## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box AF

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to a Final Office Action, dated October 2, 1996, issued in connection with the above-identified application. Enclosed herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time and appropriate fee, making a response due February 2, 1997. However, because February 2, 1997 falls on a Sunday, a response or other action taken the next business day, namely Monday February 3, 1997, is to be considered timely under 37 C.F.R. § 1.7. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

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